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Latest News

EPA Sets Ambitious Policy Agenda For 2019 But Shutdown Creates Doubts

EPA's just-released "year in review" report for fiscal year 2018 pledges an ambitious policy agenda that includes major efforts to undo or overhaul Obama-era regulations, but current and former agency staffers say the recent government shutdown creates significant doubts over whether EPA can keep its agenda on track.

New Hampshire Declines Call To Set SDWA Technology Standard For PFAS

New Hampshire's top environment official is rejecting a request by environmentalists to set enforceable "treatment technique" standards for drinking water utilities to address the thousands of chemicals in the per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) class, claiming it would contradict the state's statutory authority.

Judge Hints At Preserving \$14 Billion Environmental Bankruptcy Case

A federal bankruptcy judge is hinting that he may preserve a massive case against the parent companies of the bankrupt oil and gas company Maxus Energy Corporation that seeks to fulfill claims by a liquidating trust representing EPA and other creditors for \$14 billion in cleanup costs at hazardous waste sites in various states.

Municipalities, Environmentalists Attack EPA Ozone NAAQS Designations

Illinois, local governments in Colorado and New Mexico, and environmentalists in a new legal filing are attacking EPA's abrupt reversal designating areas of Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin as attaining the 2015 ozone standard after previously proposing to find them in nonattainment, claiming EPA lacked justification for the change.

EPA Lawyers Face Courts' Uneven Responses To Shutdown Delays

EPA and other just-reopened agencies face a chaotic litigation landscape as they return from the weeks-long government shutdown in part because courts took an uneven approach in responding to government requests to delay lawsuits, including some that issued stays that will remain in effect for two weeks after the shutdown ended.

Daily Feed

Democrats ramp up EPA clean air oversight

Democratic leaders of the House Energy and Commerce Committee are ramping up their oversight of the Trump administration's rollback of air quality policies.

New York says vehicle GHG plan appears to omit state consult

The state is seeking documents to substantiate how EPA and NHTSA “purportedly” complied with an executive order requiring consultation with states on implementing federal policies.

Environmentalists seek 60-day extension for NSPS comments

Several groups say that the just-concluded government shutdown restricted their ability to analyze all of the underlying technical data for EPA's proposed rollback of the Obama-era climate rule for new coal plants.

Justices sets March 27 argument in 'deference' suit

The argument date in late spring tees up a decision on whether to keep or repeal the so-called *Auer* principle of deferring to EPA and other agencies' regulatory interpretations.

Ewire: EPA staff resume work under stopgap funding measure

In today's Ewire: The agency's staff faces a month of work that has been piling up during the shutdown, and they face the possibility of the agency closing its doors yet again in just three weeks.

Biofuels supporters say EIA forecast justifies renewable fuel boost

The pro-ethanol group Growth Energy says the Energy Information Administration's latest annual outlook bolsters its call to increase federal support for renewable fuels.

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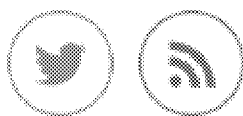
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